



CROP WEATHER

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Agricultural Summary: Higher temperatures and scattered showers throughout the State allowed producers 5.3 days suitable for fieldwork last week, with wheat planting, alfalfa cutting, and corn harvesting the main activities. As much as 5 inches of rainfall were reported in the eastern third of the State. Topsoil moisture was rated 3 percent very short, 17 percent short, 77 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was rated 9 percent very short, 29 percent short, and 62 percent adequate.

Field Crop Report: Ninety-eight percent of the **corn** is in the dent stage, the same as last year and the 5-year average. Seventy-six percent of the corn is mature, compared to 73 percent last year and 82 percent for the 5-year average. Thirty percent of the corn has been harvested, 9 points ahead of last year but 8 points behind the 5-year average. Corn condition is rated 4 percent very poor, 14 percent poor, 42 percent fair, 37 percent good, and 3 percent excellent. Forty-five percent of the **soybeans** are dropping leaves, compared to 56 percent last year and 62 percent for the 5-year average. Two percent of the soybeans have been harvested, compared to 5 percent last year and 11 percent for the 5-year average. Soybean condition is rated 2 percent very poor, 11 percent poor, 41 percent fair, 40 percent good, and 6 percent excellent. Eighty-five percent of the **sorghum** is in the coloring stage, compared to 76 percent last year and 86 percent for the 5-year average. Thirty percent of the sorghum is mature, compared to 24 percent last year and 46 percent for the 5-year average. Nine percent of the sorghum has been harvested, compared to 6 percent last year and 21 percent for the 5-year average. Sorghum condition is rated 3 percent very poor, 12 percent poor, 40 percent fair, 40 percent good, and 5 percent excellent. Ninety-three percent of the **cotton** is setting bolls, compared to 97 percent last year and 99 percent for the 5-year average. Twenty-one percent of the cotton is in the bolls open stage, compared with 32 percent last year and 29 percent for the 5-year average. Cotton condition is rated 1 percent very poor, 4 percent poor, 41 percent fair, 45 percent good, and 9 percent excellent. Sixteen percent of the **wheat** has been planted, 3 points behind last year but 2 points ahead of the 5-year average. Four percent of the wheat is emerged, 1 point ahead of last year and the 5-year average. Eighty-one percent of the **sunflowers** are in the ray flowers dry stage, compared to 70 percent last year and 88 percent for the 5-year average. Fifty-eight percent of the sunflowers are in the bracts yellow stage, compared to 47 percent last year and 71 percent for the 5-year average. Twenty-seven percent of the sunflowers are in the mature dry down stage, compared to 16 percent last year and 29 percent for the 5-year average. Four percent of the sunflowers have been harvested, compared to 3 percent last year and 11 percent for the 5-year average. Sunflower condition is rated at 1 percent very poor, 5 percent poor, 37 percent fair, 53 percent good, and 4 percent excellent. Seventy-three percent of the fourth cutting **alfalfa** has been harvested, compared with 81 percent last year and 67 percent for the 5-year average.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions are rated 6 percent very poor, 15 percent poor, 42 percent fair, 35 percent good, and 2 percent excellent. Feed grain supplies are rated 2 percent very short, 8 percent short, 84 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus. Hay and forage supplies are rated 2 percent very short, 7 percent short, 84 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus. Stock water supplies are rated 2 percent very short, 10 percent short, and 88 percent adequate.

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the KSU Weather Data Library, and Kansas Agricultural Statistics Service

CROP CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING 09/18/05

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	4	14	42	37	3
Soybeans	2	11	41	40	6
Sorghum	3	12	40	40	5
Range & Pasture	6	15	42	35	2

CROP PROGRESS BY AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS DISTRICT AS OF 09/18/05

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	5-YR AVG.
Wht Planted	22	42	33	7	3	12	3	7	4	16	4	19	14
Corn Dent	98	100	96	99	99	100	100	99	100	98	92	98	98
Corn Mature	48	51	67	76	86	98	94	77	97	76	53	73	82
Corn Harvest	23	12	19	10	39	50	14	19	75	30	14	21	38
Soyb Shedd	67	45	24	63	30	59	43	51	34	45	25	56	62
Sorg Colored	93	82	67	93	87	84	93	98	92	85	77	76	86
Sorg Mature	34	34	6	32	29	39	58	45	62	30	20	24	46

DAYS SUITABLE AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING 09/18/05

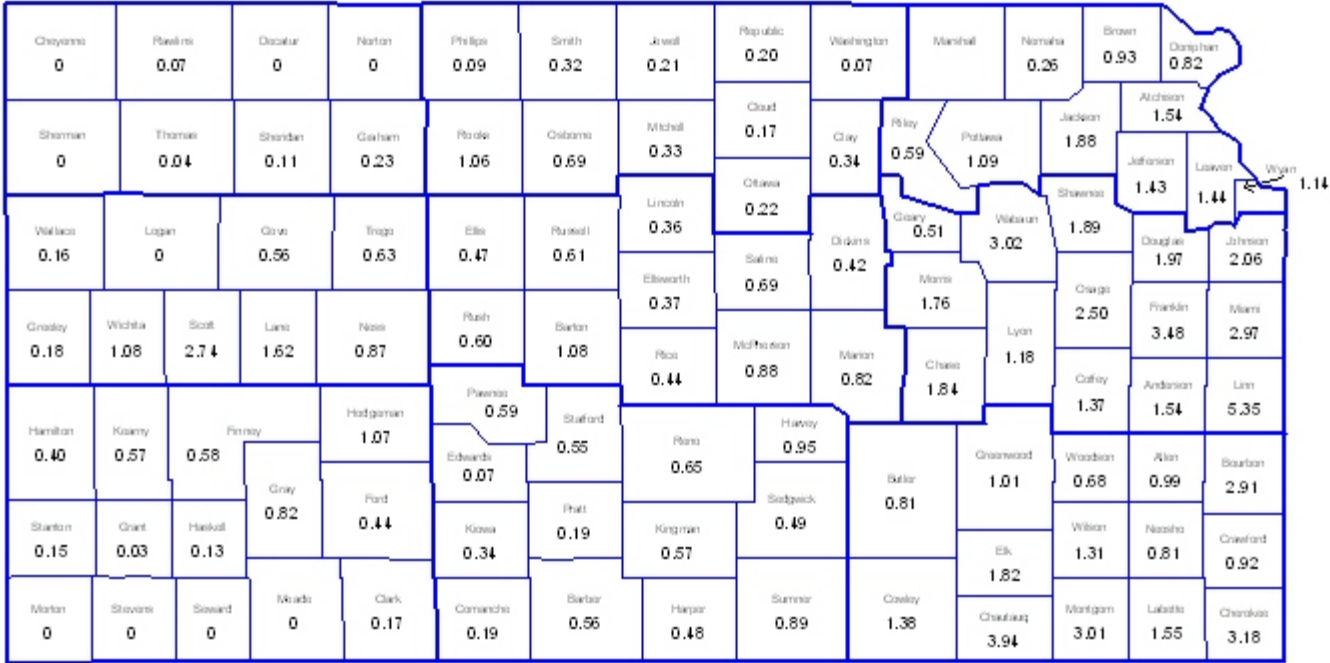
	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	7.0	6.0	6.3	6.1	5.7	5.0	4.3	3.8	4.4	5.3	5.9	6.2
Topsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	0	11	10	3	5	1	0	0	0	3	6	12
Short	28	41	23	42	17	5	0	3	9	17	22	44
Adequate	72	48	67	54	77	91	80	95	90	77	71	44
Surplus	0	0	0	1	1	3	20	2	1	3	1	0
Subsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	0	31	28	5	8	1	0	0	10	9	11	15
Short	60	40	29	51	36	22	20	7	18	29	29	38
Adequate	40	29	43	44	55	75	80	93	72	62	59	46
Surplus	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	1

TEMP. AND PRECIP. DATA, SELECTED SITES, FOR WEEK ENDING 09/18/05

Temperature								Temperature							
Station		Air		Soil 4"		Precip		Station		Air		Soil 4"		Precip	
Dist	City	Max	Min	Avg	Max			Dist	City	Max	Min	Avg	Max		
NW	Colby	92	47	68	86	66	0.01	SC	Hesston	94	50	71	88	61	0.91
WC	Tribune	94	47	67	80	66	0.16	NE	Powhatt	88	47	68	82	62	0.37
SW	Grdn Cty	95	49	70	93	58	0.00	NE	Manhat	89	47	69	86	66	0.94
NC	Scandia	92	47	70	87	64	0.11	EC	Ottawa	87	50	69	82	62	1.94
C	Hays	92	49	70	86	64	0.11	EC	Slvr Lk	88	47	69	88	67	2.04
SC	Hutch	97	46	70	85	78	0.64	EC	Rossvl	88	47	68	85	67	2.14
SC	St John	96	47	71	85	69	0.31	SE	Parsons	94	52	72	84	65	1.27

Data collected by Automated Stations (above) may differ from official stations (below). Automated stations report through midnight on Sunday. Official reporting station data are through 8:00 a.m. Sunday. The map data are collected by individuals (one or more per county).

PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 18, 2005



Omission of an entry indicates report not received.